



**Summarized Minutes
WestWorld Subcommittee
Public Meeting**

9:00 a.m., Thursday, December 18, 2008
Monterra at WestWorld
16601 N. Pima Rd.
Scottsdale, AZ 85260

CALL TO ORDER

Councilmember Drake called to order a regular meeting of the WestWorld Subcommittee on Thursday, December 18, 2008 at Monterra at 9:07 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmember Drake
Councilmember Littlefield
Councilmember Nelssen

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COUNCILMEMBER LITTLEFIELD MOVED TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 23, 2008 SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES. COUNCILMEMBER NELSEN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED 3/0.

1. WESTWORLD ACTIVITY UPDATE – BRIAN DYGERT

Mr. Dygert stated that WestWorld has hosted 27 events (10 equine, 5 special events, 6 weekend polo and 6 Brett's Barn events). All events are holding relatively well.

2. CURRENT CIP UPDATE – COREY LEW

Mr. Lew provided a quick update on the projects at WestWorld. Horse barns 1 and 2 are going vertical and may be ready to use next week. Johnson Carlier is expected to be complete with their work by end of January. We found some acoustic problems in the Show Offices. We will be making modifications to the ceilings to address the acoustic issues. Site work on the concrete wall was stopped due to utility conflicts with the footings. Fencing is being installed on the North side of the Multi-Use Tent. The fencing is being extended to the West and East. The fencing project will be done the first week of January in time for Barrett Jackson.

Councilmember Nelssen asked what type of fencing is being installed. Mr. Lew responded that the fence is chain link.

Mr. Lew said that a couple of projects are on hold - the RV pedestals in F lot, will be done next May. Lots L, O and T are in the design phase right now. The ADA ramp at the Equidome will be bid early next year.

Councilmember Nelssen asked who is making decisions for WestWorld on the city-wide 10% budget cut revenue shortfall. Mr. Dygert responded that he is receiving direction from his management. There is a Leadership Team meeting tomorrow for General Managers. Additional information and direction will be provided to WestWorld. When I discussed WestWorld's budget to the city structure, I presented trimming some operational budget and making up the difference in our new revenue program. – Feed and Bedding. WestWorld will make up 13% revenue stream. This is projected revenue for this current year.

Councilmember Nelssen said that he was concerned about making cuts that would impact our scheduled events and said he was glad to know that WestWorld is not faced with that situation right now.

Councilmember Drake stated that we were unsure at the last meeting of what effect the budget cuts would have on WestWorld. This is great. WestWorld is making new progress.

3. REVIEW CIP CURRENT TO MASTER PLAN – BRIAN DYGERT

Mr. Dygert stated that there are 16 CIP projects on WestWorld's Master Plan adopted in 2006 (9 are almost complete and 7 are future items – one of which is the multi-purpose building) for a total of 8.2 million. When I looked at this list, I realized that there is a lot to be proud of. It is quite an accomplishment in a short amount of time.

Councilmember Drake thanked everyone for their efforts with the completed CIP projects, stating the realization of many hopes and wishes. This has been a worthwhile effort. Stating that she is very pleased with what we managed to do.

4. CONTROL DOG PROGRAM ON POLO FIELD (PILOT) – BRIAN DYGERT

Mr. Dygert mentioned that he first thought about a dog control program when he watched the City Council meeting discussion about the Grayhawk dog park. Dogs on our turf create complexities and we need look at what can be done. I have talked to Bureau of Reclamation and our parks staff to get direction for undertaking this type of program. If we do this, we can create opportunities for a wider need. It will be like those who bring in their horses and pay to use WestWorld for the day. We can control it and create an opportunity or not do it all together.

Councilmember Drake asked if dogs were currently using the polo field. Mr. Dygert said, yes, they are.

Councilmember Nelssen asked who is responsible if an unfortunate incident were to occur - if something were to happen are we covered.

Brian mentioned the RV guests that already bring dogs WestWorld and don't put their dogs on a leash. EJ and I try to keep track of that and enforce this requirement. The leash law is in effect at WestWorld.

Councilmember Littlefield asked if WestWorld users bring their dogs. Mr. Dygert responded that yes they do. A lot of the show management does bring dogs and they do keep them leashed and aggressive in keeping them leashed and under control.

Councilmember Littlefield said that this program is worth pursuing, of course without impacting other operations.

Councilmember Drake asked if the area would be fenced. Mr. Dygert responded that yes, temporary fencing would be in place, and we may be able to utilize an electronic day pass through parks. Councilmember Drake asked how frequently it would be available. Mr. Dygert stated that it was not thought out yet. It would start as a pilot program and I would bring back details.

Councilmember Nelssen asked if we had a ballpark cost per day. Will the revenue to stay in the WestWorld budget or go somewhere else? Mr. Dygert saw it as a pay as you play - create a hybrid dog park. This activity would exclude the dog show users.

Councilmember Nelssen commented that dog parks are very popular these days.

Councilmember Drake asked about fee structure and availability. It could get confusing when other events are taking place. Mr. Dygert responded that we would provide information to people about events and when the field would be available for use. We would post a schedule.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMEMBER LITTLEFIELD MOVED TO ADJOURN THE WESTWORLD SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING.
COUNCILMEMBER NELSEN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED 3/0.

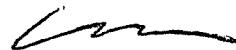
With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Theresa Smith

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Administrative Secretary

REVIEWED BY:



Tony Nelssen
Councilmember

Officially approved by the WestWorld Subcommittee on

April 15, 2009